## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5067 ANSWERED ON:05.09.2011 APEX BODY FOR SCHEDULED CASTES Patle Kamla Devi

## Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has constituted an Apex Body at national level for development and providing protection to Scheduled Castes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the composition of the Apex Body alongwith the work entrusted to them?

## **Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRID. NAPOLEON)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) National Commission for Scheduled Castes (NCSC) has been constituted Under Article 338 of the Constitution to inter-alia, investigate and monitor all matters relating to the safeguards provided for Scheduled Castes under the Constitution etc.
- (c) NCSC consists of a Chairperson, a Vice-chairperson and 3 other Members. Commission has been reconstituted in October-November 2010 for a period of 3 years and following persons have been appointed to the posts mentioned against each-

Name Designation

Dr. P.L. Punia Chairperson Shri Raj Kumar Verka Vice-Chairperson Shri Raju Parmar Member Shri M .Shivanna Member Smt. Latha Priyakumar Member

Details of work entrusted/Functions of the Commission are at Annexure.